

WAR BONDS AND TAXES TAKE UP ATTENTION OF THE LAWMAKERS

Government Announces Details of Huge Issue, Following An All Day Conference With Federal Reserve Bank Officials

HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE SETTLES TAXES

Income Tax Minimum To Be Lowered While Postal Rates Will Be Raised By The Proposed Measure Now Before House

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Details of the bond issue for war expenses were announced last night by the treasury officials, following an all-day conference at which the federal reserve bank officials were present. It was officially stated that the bonds will become due in thirty years, but will be redeemable in fifteen, at the option of the government.

The bonds will be issued in denominations ranging all the way from one hundred dollars, the minimum, up to \$100,000, the maximum. From two to five per cent of the total amount of the subscription will be filed with the subscribers. The balance will be called for probably in six installments. The formal announcement will be made to-day.

The ways and means committee of the house yesterday agreed upon the Revenue Bill, which is designed to raise one billion eight hundred million by taxation during the coming year.

One of the chief means by which this huge sum will be collected will be the lowering of the present minimum upon incomes.

The measure probably will come before the house for action no later than tomorrow.

The committee, after considerable debate, decided to add ten per cent to all duties now existing. "Soft" is imposed a ten per cent duty on all articles that are now on the free list. The income tax increase will be levied upon all incomes for this year, while the other taxes will become effective with the signing of the bill.

The postal increases will affect every one in the United States who buys a stamp or a postal card. The postal rate on letters which has been two cents, will be raised to three cents, while postal cards will cost two cents. Taxes upon newspapers will be increased by \$19,000,000, if the new bill goes through, largely by means of increased rates on postage.

Interest in the two-billion-dollar "Liberty Loan" is gradually increasing in Honolulu, according to reports made yesterday by the various banks. At most of them a considerable number of small subscriptions were received during the day.

It is considered significant that most of the subscriptions received were for small amounts, and this was hailed with satisfaction by the bankers who are anxious to see Honolulu "do her bit" along the line of financing the war.

Small subscriptions do not make as big showing as larger ones, but they are held to indicate growing popular interest in the task that the United States has undertaken, and that, the bankers feel, is fully as important as the raising of great sums of money.

WINTER WHEAT CROP SHORTEST IN YEARS

Report of Department Shows That Present Condition Is Far Below the Normal

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—In the face of the threatening food shortage and the consequent crisis in the world's affairs, the winter wheat crop of the United States is lower than it has been since 1888, according to the crop reports gathered by the department of agriculture. The promised yield, it is asserted will be less than for any year since 1904. The department's forecast for the season's yield is 366,116,000 bushels, which is based upon an estimate of seventy-three and two-tenths per cent of the normal crop in May. Following this report may wheat sold in China at \$3 a bushel, the highest figure on record.

EVERYONE WISHES TO BE AN OFFICER IN ARMY

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The war department announced last night that to date more than a quarter of a million applicants have filed their application for the officers' training camp.

GREEKS REPUDIATE KING CONSTANTINE

Huge Mass Meeting Held In Salonika Declares He Has Forfeited His Throne

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

LONDON, May 9.—Sunday was a great day at Salonika, according to the despatches forwarded from Athens yesterday by the Reuter correspondent at the Greek capital. That day, at a mass meeting attended by forty thousand Greeks, King Constantine was formally declared to have forfeited his throne and his dynasty was declared to have no further rights in Greece.

These resolutions, which were presented by the mayor of Salonika, who also presided over the gathering, were passed with cheers for Venizelos and the cause of Greek freedom and democracy.

A despatch to the London Times from Athens, from its own correspondent, corroborates the news sent through Reuters. According to the Times correspondent, King Constantine is fast losing his supporters among the army officers, who are deserting him and going over to the Venizelists. On one day last week fifty-seven officers from the Athens garrison left the city for Salonika, to join the Greeks allied to the Entente and now actively engaged on the Macedonian front.

PLANS OF NAVY BOARD MAY DOOM SUBMARINES

(Associated Press By Commercial Cable)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—High officials in the navy and members of the naval consulting board held a lengthy conference yesterday at the home of Secretary Daniels. After the conference the secretary said "they believe they are on the right road, but there are additional experiments to be made by them before the plans they have mapped out are complete. Those plans are wonderful; they are based upon an idea that has been undreamed of heretofore, and will prove, I hope of far-reaching importance."

SUBMARINE LOSSES CUT BY BRITISH METHODS

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

LONDON, May 9.—For the week ending on Sunday the losses to the Entente from German submarines were the smallest for any week since the policy of unrestricted warfare was put into force. During the week only three vessels were sunk, according to the official records.

It is generally believed here that this falling off in the number of submarine victims is due wholly to the putting into full effect of the new plans of defense for merchant ships and of aggression against the underwater raiders.

SENATE HOLDS SECRET SESSION ON EMBARGO

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The senate yesterday held a prolonged session behind closed doors to consider the embargo clause in the espionage bill. Representatives of the administration gave additional information in support of the clause.

HUNDRED MILLION FOR USE OF FRENCH ALLIES

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—It was formally announced yesterday that the United States will advance France an additional \$100,000,000 credit to cover French purchases in this country during the current month. Congress probably will be asked to appropriate money to cover this loan.

BRITISH ABANDON PLAN FOR A MEATLESS DAY

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

LONDON, May 9.—The meatless day throughout Great Britain has been abolished by governmental order. It is believed that it resulted in the increased demand for other foods which are not so plentiful, and consequently failed in its purpose.

CROUP.

This disease is so dangerous and so rapid in its development that every mother of young children should be prepared for it. It is very risky to wait until the attack of croup appears and then send for medicine and let the child suffer until it can be obtained. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is prompt and effective and has never been known to fail in any case. Always have a bottle in the home. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.—Advertisement.

Hoover Asks Separate Department to Take Over Control of Food

Wants to See Body Clothed With Absolute Power To Regulate the Distribution and Sale of Staple Products Including Wheat and Sugar

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

NEW YORK, May 9.—Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the food control commission, has recommended to the senate committee on agriculture that his bureau be made a separate department of the government and be clothed with absolute powers over the distribution and sale of certain staple food products, particularly wheat and sugar.

Control of the production and marketing of sugar, as advocated by Herbert C. Hoover, would in all probability affect the price of sugar received by Hawaiian producers. In the opinion of men in Honolulu directly or indirectly interested in the sugar industry, who were interviewed yesterday.

Royal D. Mead, of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, said that he had not yet seen the Washington despatch. He was told the contents of it and expressed the opinion that any such control as that advocated by Hoover could not but force the price of sugar downward.

A. W. T. Bottomley, of Bishop & Co., expressed a similar opinion. At the same time, he pointed out that the world's total production of sugar is far below the normal requirements and that for that reason there was no reason to expect that any drop in the price of the commodity on account of government control would be serious.

CONFERENCE STILL SPLIT ON ARMY BILL

Question of Age Limit, Prohibition and Roosevelt Expedition Makes Piliikia

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Another attempt by the members of the conference committees to reach an agreement on the Selective Draft Bill yesterday failed utterly.

The deadlock is over a number of most important features of the measure. It has been found impossible to get the senators to agree upon the question of sending an expedition to France under the leadership of Theodore Roosevelt. The question of prohibition, which was tacked on the measure in the form of a rider, and which forbids the sale of intoxicants to any one in uniform during the continuance of the war is another obstacle to the agreement on the bill.

But the chief cause for disagreement lies in the difference in the house and senate in regards the ages of the conscripts under the draft clause of the bill.

The conference is also split over the question of raising patrol regiments for duty along the Mexican border.

HOLLWEG BLAMED FOR DOOM OF PLAN

Pan-Germans and Conservatives Now Bitterly Attacking The Chancellor

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

COPENHAGEN, May 8.—The Conservatives and the pan-German parties are blaming Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg for the long duration of the war, claiming that his delay of four days in mobilization at the beginning of the war caused the loss of the battle of the Marne and that he threw away the second chance to terminate the war by opposing the policy of a ruthless submarine campaign.

RULES SUSPENDED

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—President Wilson yesterday issued a formal announcement that the rules governing the civil service will be suspended for the duration of the war.

NAVY INCREASED

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The house yesterday passed the bill providing for increasing the enlisted personnel of the navy to 150,000 men. The measure also increases the strength of the marine corps to 30,000 men.

ROENITZ HELD AS SPY

Bail in the case of George Roenitz, charged with espionage, was yesterday fixed at \$15,000, and not being forthcoming, defendant remains in Oahu Prison. Preliminary hearing of the case before United States Commissioner George S. Curry, will be held on Friday afternoon.

ALLEGED PLOTTER KILLED BY GUARD IN MINNEAPOLIS

Three Soldiers and Trio of Men In Hospital At Fort—Military Man Shot In Leg Here

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

One man is reported dead in the milling district in Minneapolis, the victim of a guard's bullet. Three guardsmen and three alleged plotters against the Washburn-Crosby flour mills are said to be in the Fort Snelling hospital, suffering from bullet wounds and cuts received in hand to hand encounter, and a guardsman is carrying a bullet in his left leg, fired from ambush, while doing guard duty in the railroad yards in St. Paul, according to the St. Paul Pioneer Press of April 30, a copy of which has reached here.

These happenings and attempts to blow up bridges, were the developments which came to light last night in connection with the war on plotters, the account continues.

"Military officers refused to confirm or deny the report that a man had been shot dead in the Minneapolis milling district, when he tried to escape after making what appeared to be an attempt to blow up the Washburn-Crosby company mill.

"Another man, carrying a bag containing fifteen sticks of dynamite and two bottles of glycerine, was arrested last night near the Washburn-Crosby mill and lodged in the guardhouse at Fort Snelling.

"Guardsmen near the St. Paul road at Hastings fired on two men in a boat near the shore of the Mississippi River late last night.

"The bullet was heard to pierce the boat, but the man rowed to shore and escaped.

"A plot to blow up the St. Paul road bridge at Mendota also was frustrated by guardsmen last night, it was reported.

"Three civilians in the Fort Snelling hospital are believed to have been wounded in the battle with guardsmen in the Minneapolis milling district early yesterday.

"It is said they may be lodged in the guardhouse as plotters when they recover.

"One of the wounded soldiers also is said to be a victim of yesterday morning's battle, but two others, it is said, were injured in personal encounters near the Minneapolis Sae line bridge.

Kawewehi Goes Home With Leis and Labial Salutations

All members of the legislature are more or less important while the lawmakers are in actual session, but once the clerk writes "adjourned sine die" at the end of the minutes of the sixtieth day they seem to be lost sight of.

There is, however, one very glaring exception to the general rule when the name of Representative Henry I. Kawewehi is mentioned. Henry is always important and has been since he first came to the legislature in 1905. He has been coming ever since.

Yesterday Kawewehi decided that he had had enough of life in a metropolitan city and prepared to bid himself to the placid shores of West Hawaii, where he has had his habitat.

Of a very retiring nature and disposition, Henry kept the secret well within himself that he was going home. Notwithstanding all this modesty on his part, fully a hundred Honolulu belles gathered on the pier to see the Kona lawmaker return, like Cincinnatus, to his plow and farm.

Henry is popular with the fair sex, although usually he fights shy of it. Yet, yesterday Henry cast aside all bashfulness and as each fair damsel of the one hundred placed a fragrant lei around his manly neck, lo and behold, he greeted her chastely with the labial salutation that has come down to this day from the time Adam and Eve were introduced to each other in the Garden of Eden.

"If Joffre were to visit Honolulu he would not have a more affectionate leave-taking of his friends, than that," remarked a malihini, to whom Henry Kawewehi was a stranger.

The stranger was told that the departing one was a member of the legislature.

"That settles me," he replied, "I'm going to settle here and run for the legislature."

STEEL TRUST SUBSCRIBES MILLIONS TO LIBERTY LOAN

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

NEW YORK, May 9.—The board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation yesterday voted to subscribe \$25,000,000 to the Liberty Loan.

W. R. Castle Jr. Is Head of New Bureau Created By Red Cross

Honolulu Man Will Have Charge of Work of Keeping Tabs On All German Prisoners In This Country and American Prisoners in Vaterland

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The American Red Cross yesterday announced the creation of a Bureau of Casualties to gather information of America's losses in the war. W. R. Castle Jr., of Honolulu, has been appointed at the head of the work and intrusted with one of the greatest responsibilities which the war will entail.

The bureau comes into existence at once with a first duty of compiling a register of all German subjects now held as prisoners or interned in the United States. This work is being undertaken at the request of and in cooperation with the International Red Cross, with headquarters in Geneva which is carrying out the monumental and self-imposed task of exchanging news as to prisoners between all the warring powers.

That a request from the Swiss headquarters of the red cross for information which the United States, official and unofficial, itself entirely unable to supply, was the cause of the creation of the new bureau is made evident by letters of Mr. Castle to his father, W. R. Castle, Sr., of Honolulu.

According to a letter from Mr. Castle, Jr., received yesterday, Switzerland asked for a list of all German prisoners and interned in America shortly after war broke out between the United States and Germany. America had no records of any sort, outside of the bare number of such prisoners and the bureau announced in the Associated Press despatch, was outlined at that time.

By a coincidence Mr. Castle, Sr., received the letter from his son on the same day upon which the confirmatory news by wireless was received. The new head of the bureau, in yesterday's letter, said:

"The matter came up through a telegram from the International Red Cross in Geneva asking who the members of the committee on prisoners were and for complete lists of all Germans interned in this country. That was one of the aspects of preparedness which had not been thought of, and I was asked to take charge of it. It would mean keeping track of all the people in this country as well as of any American prisoners in Germany, if we should send an expeditionary force over. I feel pretty strongly that if one's services are requested in the line of work which one can do there ought to be no hesitating and I shall therefore accept it the opportunity offers."

"Many young men who were making an excellent income are giving their services and many of them expect to continue indefinitely. I was in Washington only one day, so have not much time to report as to the state of affairs here. Everybody is enormously busy."

He further wrote that if the plan developed into a definite bureau he would have to have an office there with a secretary or more, as the work developed and of course would have to reside in that city till the war was over. He also added that as soon as definite plans were formed for the bureau he would write particulars.

BILLION NEEDED TO BUILD MORE SHIPS

Board Will Ask For Additional Money To Carry Huge Burden of Commerce

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Congress will be asked for a billion dollars, it was learned today, as an appropriation to construct an enormous American merchant marine to run the U-bunt lines and assure America's European allies against shortage of food and munitions.

It is believed that this plan will overcome the U-bunt menace. Authoritative estimates based on investigation of the shipping facilities of the country, are that between five and six million tons of steel and wooden ships can be constructed in two years.

The shipping board is now working in the details of this great program. In order to make sure that Uncle Sam will turn out this huge tonnage, the program will provide for possible diversion to government uses of the products of every steel mill in the country, and the cancellation of existing contracts between mills and private consumers will be ordered where necessary.

Payment of damages will be made by the government.

M'KINLEYS ARE PRACTISING

The High School Alumni's McKinley baseball team is turning out in full blast for practice out at the Makiki Field every afternoon. The boys are being handled by Henry Chillingworth. Marcus Monarrist is rounding into form and will be one of the mainstays of the McKinleys in the Pacific League.

AN IMPROVED QUININE DOES NOT AFFECT THE HEAD

Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE will be found better than ordinary Quinine. Does not cause nervousness, nor ringing in the head. Re-embered is found only "Bromo Quinine." The signature of E. W. Grove is on each bottle.

WEATHER STATION ON MIDWAY ISLAND

New Observatory Established May 1, Announces the Local Weather Prophet

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

A weather observation station was established on Midway Island May 1, Andrew M. Hamrick, observer announced yesterday, and reports of wind and barometer are being received here daily. They are taken at six-thirty o'clock in the evening, Midway local time, which is eight o'clock Honolulu time. When the service becomes coordinated the Midway station is expected to be an extremely valuable outpost for the Coast bureau. Observations are being taken by employees of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company, the station of which is on Midway. An employee of the Honolulu office will go to Midway on the next voyage of the Florence Ward to check up the instruments and instruct the cable station more fully in the work.

One interesting light on weather conditions already has been cast. It is on kona storms. It is announced that the new observations already taken even begin to solve the problem of the kona, and much work will be necessary before a final and authoritative solution is had, but the deduction made from the first observations is nonetheless interesting.

During last week, when Honolulu was sweltering in the light kona winds, Midway showed a low barometric pressure, which had succeeded a high, and the course of the storm eastward could be traced from day to day by the shift of the Midway winds blowing toward the low pressure area further north.

The deduction from these data is that kona storms are not at all local, but, instead, are disturbances on the outskirts of other storms, the konomas moving toward the low pressure centers in the north. The frequency of severe konomas during the winter would be accounted for by the many heavy storms that sweep eastward across the North Pacific in that season. However, as stated, this is only a suggestion deduced from a few data; and some konomas might reply to it by citing that story of a sailing vessel being dismasted by a kona in the Molokai channel while another sailer, eleven miles north, was lying in a dead calm.

HUNDREDS REGISTER AT LAST MINUTE

A rush of last minute voters last night almost swamped the staff of the city clerk, and the registration for the primary election is believed to have jumped over 12,000. It was impossible to tabulate the registration. The books were finally closed at midnight last night and will not be reopened until after the primary when further registration will be taken for the municipal elections next month.

Those registering last night were equally divided between the fourth and fifth districts. For the past two days the clerks have had all they could handle in taking care of the rush, the new vote being registered being largely that of the younger men of the city, many of whom will vote for the first time on April 19.

If the desire to register is taken as an index of the vote to be polled next week, the interest in the election is running high.

POLICE RECORD FOR LAST MONTH IS GOOD

Seventy-five per cent of cases arrested during April resulted in convictions, according to the monthly report of Sheriff Charles E. Rose, made to the board of supervisors last night. Eighty-one cases were discharged and sixty-seven were held to answer, there being 548 arrests altogether. As usual gambling led all other offenses with 282 arrests and 259 convictions. Assault and battery followed with twenty-five convictions out of fifty-two arrests, and drunkenness brought up a weak third, with thirty arrests, and twenty-three convictions. The report indicated that the millionaires apparently was dawning in Koolau-poko and Waimana, there having been no arrests in either district during April. The total fines and forfeitures gleaned during April as the result of police activity, amounted to \$3600.90.

CHINESE LONG RESIDENT HELD BY UNCLE SAM

Yuen Fai, a Chinese laborer, who has been a resident of this Territory for the past twenty years, was arrested yesterday afternoon, on a complaint sworn to by Harry B. Brown, deputy inspector of immigration, charging him with being unlawfully in the United States. Defendant claims to have lost certificate of residence. Failure to produce satisfactory proof of residence may result in his deportation.

ONE SHIP SUNK

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

NEW YORK, May 8.—The steamship Parthenon, which left New York on April 14 for Havre, France, has been sunk by a German submarine. The loss of the ship and cargo totals \$4,000,000.

GERMANS WREST FRESNOY FROM CANADIANS BY HOT FIGHTING

Forty Thousand Men Launched By Von Hindenburg In Desperate Effort To Recapture Vital Point In His Wotan Defenses

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

NEW YORK, May 9.—After five days of extraordinary fighting, in which the slaughter was tremendous, the Germans have succeeded in wresting back from the Canadians the strategically important Fresnoy Woods and the territory adjacent. The Germans paid a terrible price for their victory, throwing their men in successive waves against the Canadian lines in a desperate born of the knowledge that the retention of Fresnoy by the British threatened the whole defense of Douai.

With the Fresnoy positions once more in the hands of the Germans, the British have been compelled to fall back from the other advanced positions they held in the direction of Douai. This was the most easterly position the British held in this front. Yesterday morning the Germans, who have been attacking ceaselessly for five days, launched a fresh assault, preceded by a terrific artillery bombardment which was immediately followed by clouds of the most recently invented and most deadly gas.

As soon as the gas clouds were seen to have reached the British trenches the German infantry was ordered up. In all more than two full divisions took part in the attack. This force was made up of the reorganized fragments of commands that had been engaged in the recent fighting, together with large numbers of fresh troops.

The right wing of the Canadians held firm despite the pressure, and inflicted heavy losses upon the attacking force, but the Germans drove the left wing out of the village of Fresnoy, and Berlin claims to have taken two hundred prisoners.

Elsewhere on this line, though there was some desperate fighting in places, there were few notable changes in the line. There was no infantry fighting at all on the French front.

In Macedonia the Allied artillery has been exceptionally busy, and yesterday's reports indicated that it has been so heavy as to lead many to believe that a general offensive there is being contemplated by General Sarraill.

FIRM ACCUSED OF AIDING SUBMARINES

Navy Department Reported To Be Conducting Searching Probe of Activities

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The federal government, it was learned today, is investigating the activities of the steamship Manitowoc of the American Transatlantic Company, and other vessels of the same concern.

They are said to have carried supplies to German submarines in the Atlantic. The details of the alleged supplying of the U-bunts are not disclosed, but in official circles it is admitted that the company's ships are now held at St. Thomas, in the Virgin Islands, Uncle Sam's new West Indies possessions. The navy department is making a rigid investigation.

BROKEN RAIL WRECKED COMMISSION SPECIAL

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

DECATUR, Illinois, May 9.—A broken rail was the cause of the derailment of the special train that was carrying the French commissioners when it left this city Monday. A carefully conducted investigation by the railroad officials aided by government secret service men, brought out this fact.

GERMANY MUST STILL BATTLE FOR PEACE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

LONDON, May 9.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Copenhagen, last night reported that Minister Helfferich, in an address to the Reichstag yesterday said, speaking of the prospects of peace, "We are not yet able to make peace. Therefore we must continue to fight for it."